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: DECISION

: ON PETITION

This is a decision on the Petition to Revive Unintentionally Abandoned Application or Lapsed Patent (37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 20, 2004.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely and properly reply to the final Office action, mailed May 12, 2003. The Office action set a three (3) month period for reply. No extensions of time having been obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a), this application became abandoned on January 21, 2004. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on December 17, 2003.

A petition to revive the application filed February 20, 2004, was dismissed in a Decision mailed August 27, 2004, for failing to meet the requirements of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b).

With the instant petition, Applicant has filed a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") and a Request for Extension of time, and a submission in the form of an Amendment.

Having found that all of the requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) have been met, this petition is hereby granted.

This application is an image file wrapper ("IFW") and, as such, no forwarding of the file is necessary. An electronic mail

message will be sent to Technology Center 3683 for processing of the RCE and Amendment in due course.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3232.

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